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FISHER!

LAST ISSUE, IN EXCHANGE FOR HER FRIENDS' LIVES, PHENIX AGREED TO GO WITH THE POWERFUL AND MYSTERIOUS MALE PHOENIX NAMED XENIF BACK TO HIS "HOME". IN A DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO SAVE HER, THE REST OF THE GROUP FOLLOWED THEM THROUGH A PORTAL, WITH NO IDEA WHERE IT WOULD LEAD.



IN THIS BLIND LEAP OF FAITH THEY HAVE SHOWN THEIR COURAGE AND LOYALTY TO ONE OF THEIR OWN.

BUT NEXT TIME, THEY'LL HAVE WISHED THEY LOOKED BEFORE THEY LEAPT.

OH FUZZ!



THAT BUZZARD TELEPORTED
US MILES IN THE AIR AND I'M
THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN FLY!





FORBIDDEN LOVE PART 2
"FREE FALL"

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I HAVE TO
DO SOMETHING
FAST OR THEY'VE
HAD IT!

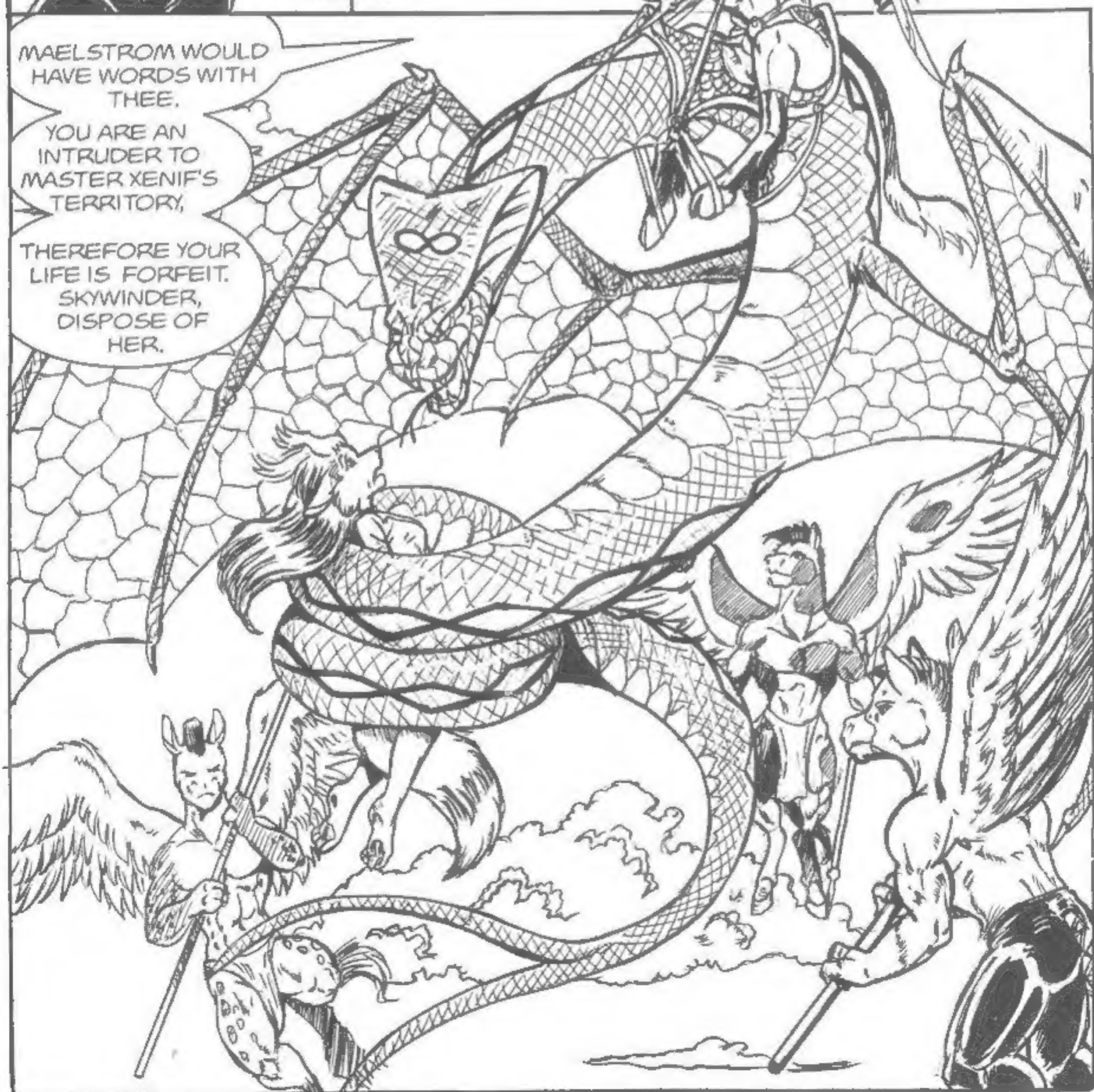


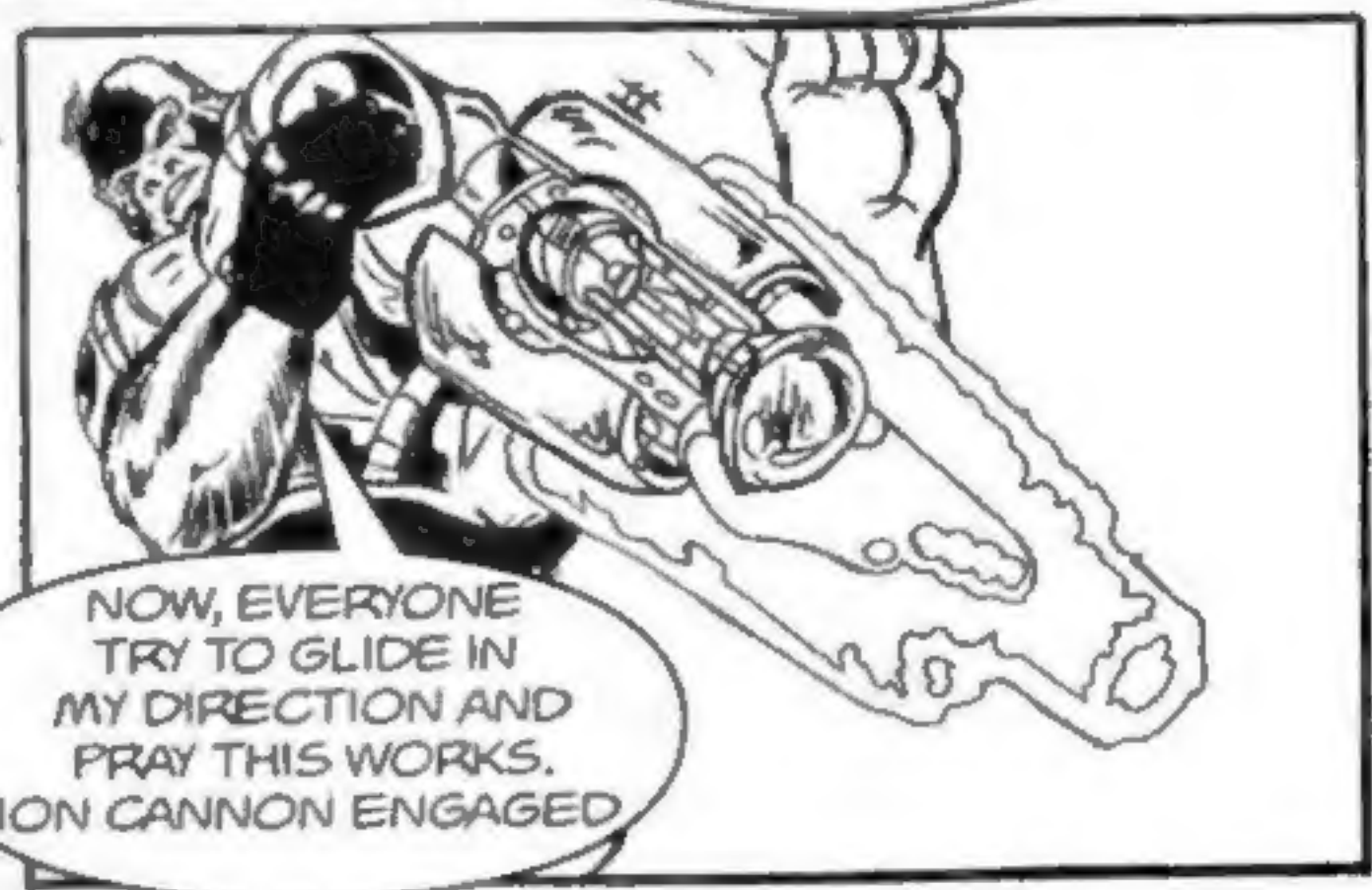
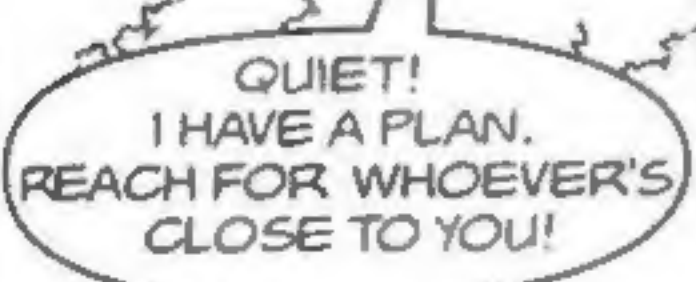
NOT SO FAST
KITSUNE!

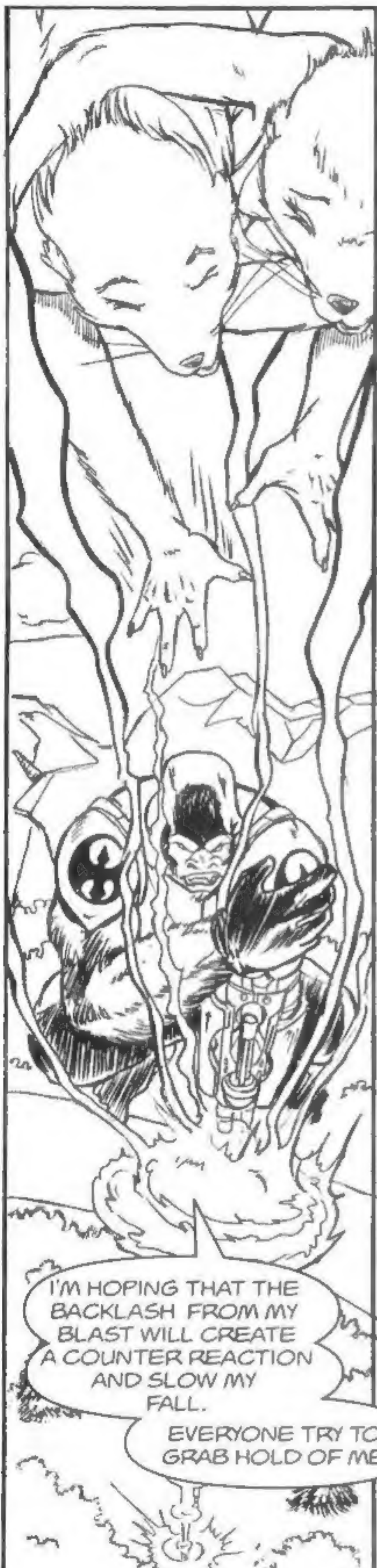
MAELSTROM WOULD
HAVE WORDS WITH
THEE.

YOU ARE AN
INTRUDER TO
MASTER XENIF'S
TERRITORY,

THEREFORE YOUR
LIFE IS FORFEIT.
SKYWINDER,
DISPOSE OF
HER.







I'M HOPING THAT THE BACKLASH FROM MY BLAST WILL CREATE A COUNTER REACTION AND SLOW MY FALL.

EVERYONE TRY TO GRAB HOLD OF ME!



OOOOF!

IT'S WORKING! HOLD ON!



WHOA!

GRAB

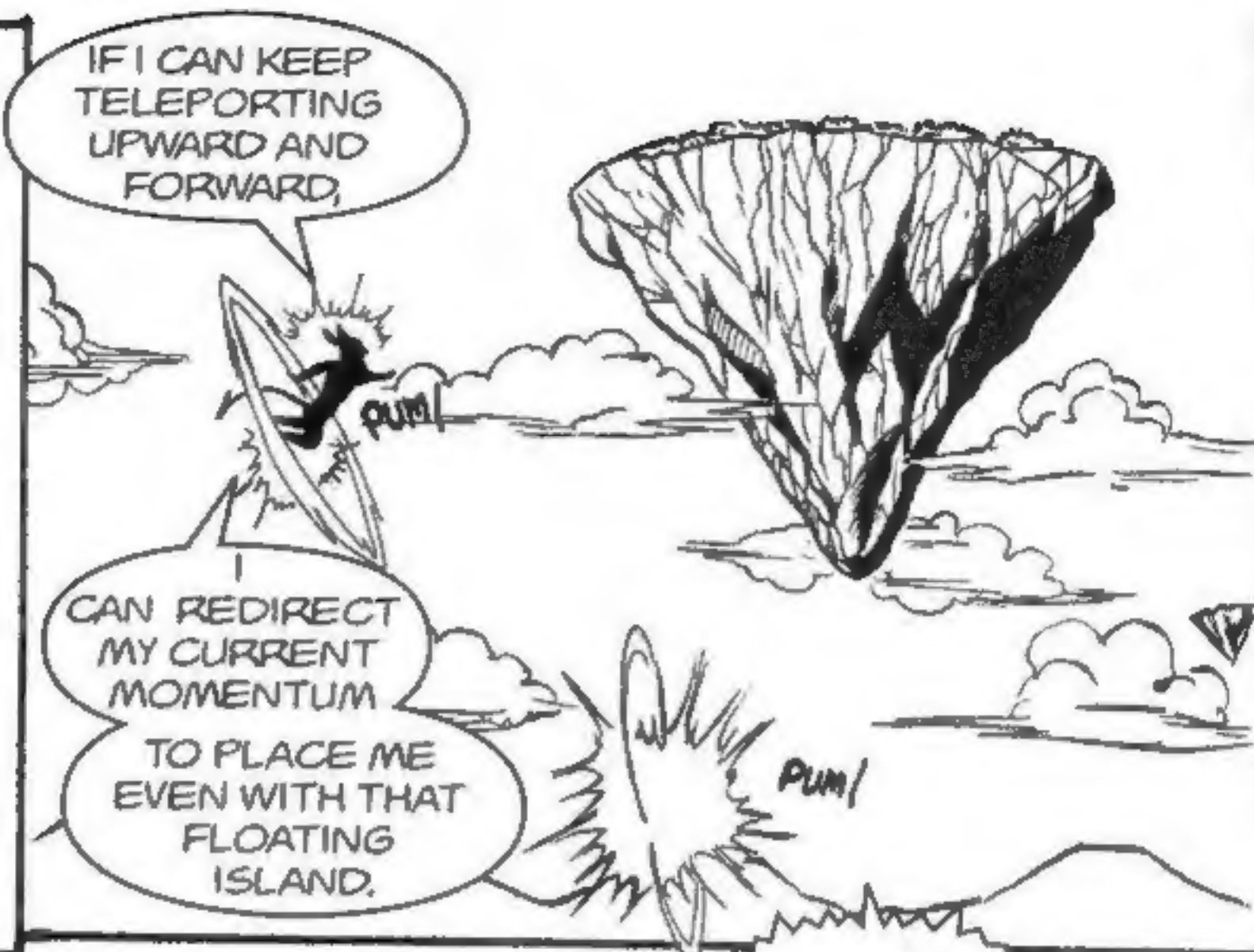


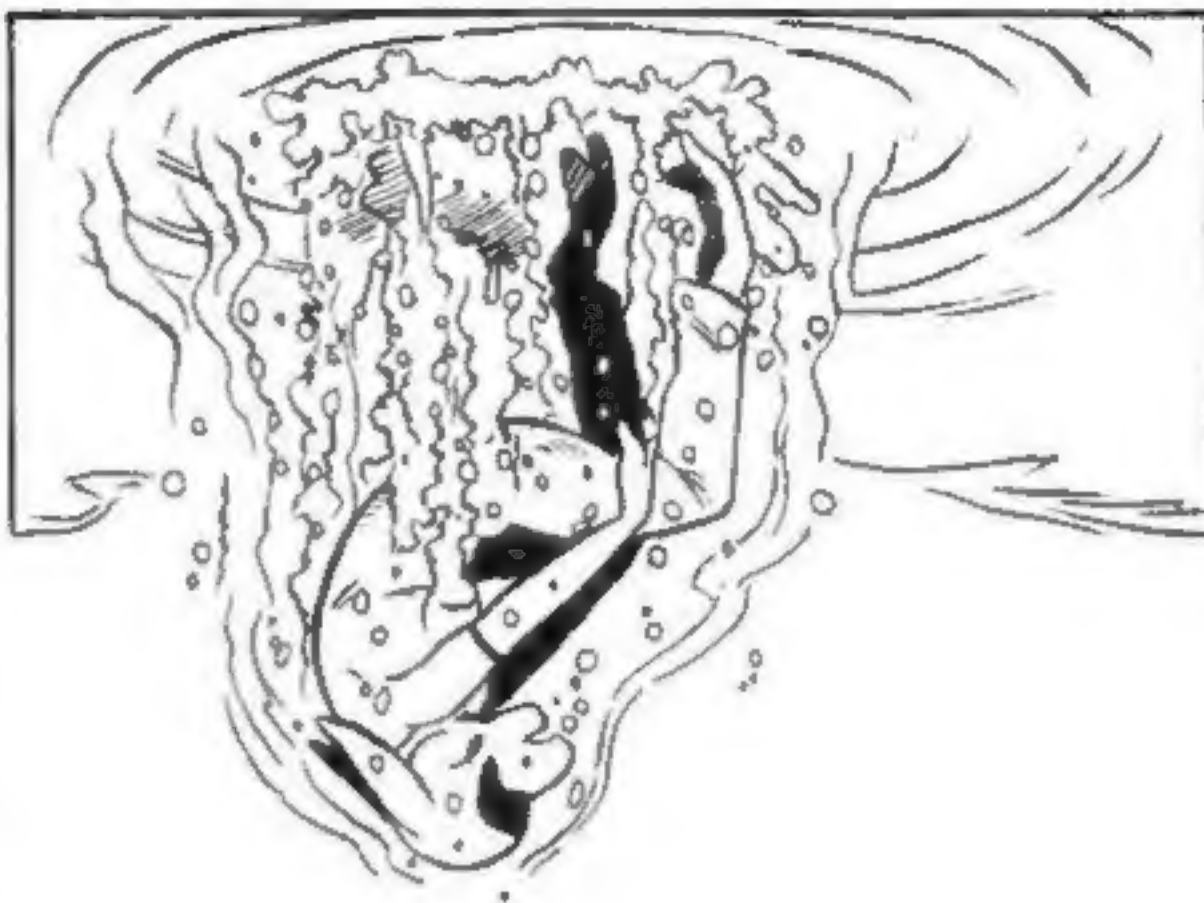
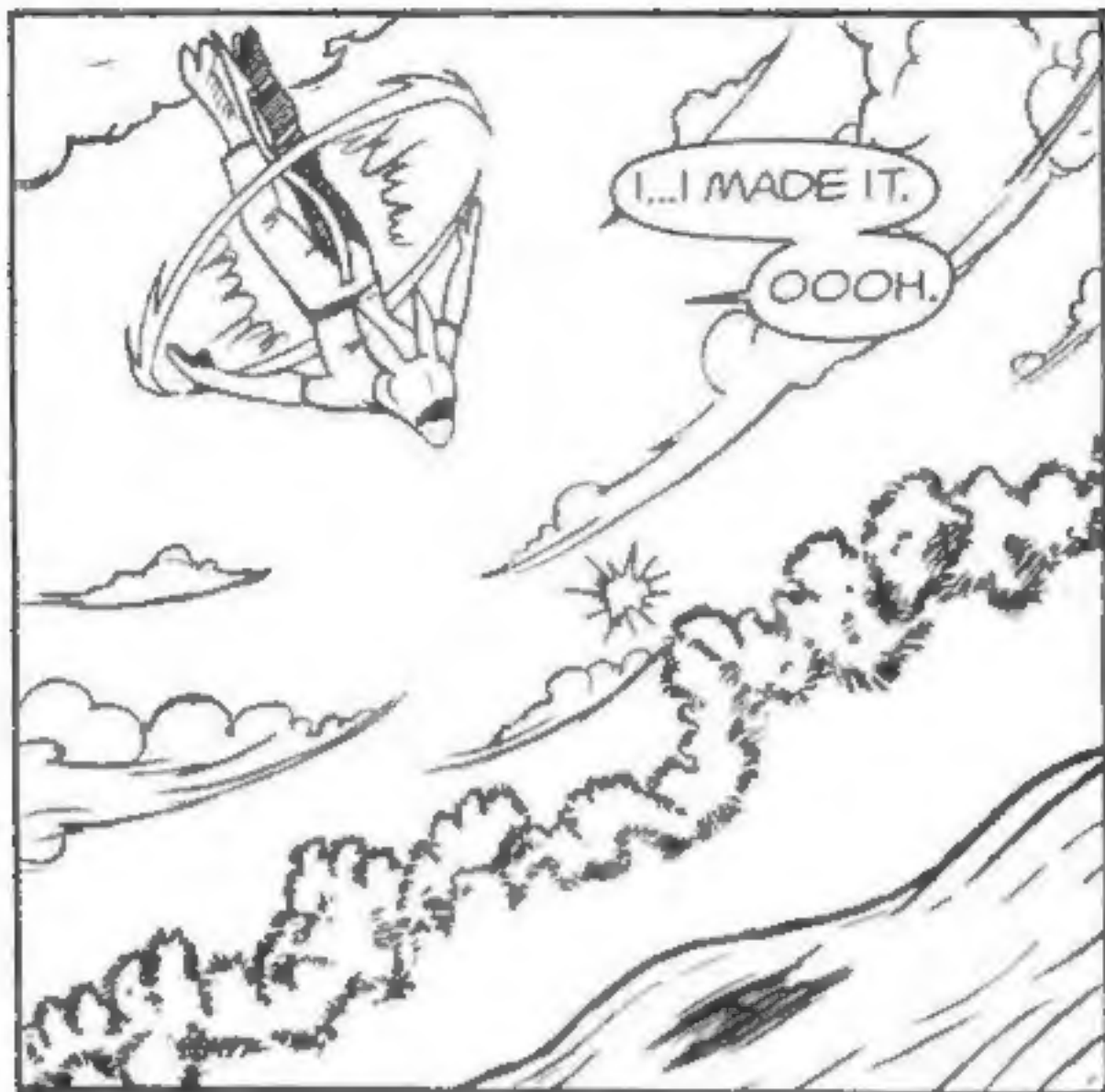
AHHH! MY TAIL!



SORRY CEECEE!









AAAAH!



DIE
KITSUNE!



CRACK!

BACK OFF HORSEFLY!

FASCINATING SHE FLIES AND MOVES AS NATURALLY AS ONE BORN WITH WINGS. AND SHE FIGHTS WITH THE TENACITY OF A WARRIOR DRAGON. YET I DETECT NO MAGIC ON THIS ONE.



HER ABILITIES
ARE COMPLETELY
NATURAL.

PERHAPS IT
WOULD BE
MY BENEFIT TO
ALLOW HER TO
LIVE.



SO
THIS IS AN EXAMPLE
OF THE ONES THE
MASTER WOULD
HAVE US DESTROY.



HALT
MAELSTROM!

WHAT?



I, LUCUS LOBO, ORDER YOU TO LEAVE THIS AREA IMMEDIATELY!

YOU KNOW THE TREATY! THIS IS WARWOLF TERRITORY!

THE VIXEN IS THEREFORE UNDER OUR PROTECTION. YOU NO LONGER HAVE ANY BUSINESS HERE.

I AM ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS OF LORD XENIF TO ACQUIRE THE KITSUNE, BUT I RECOGNIZE YOUR CLAIM AND WILL LEAVE.

AS FOR THE KITSUNE

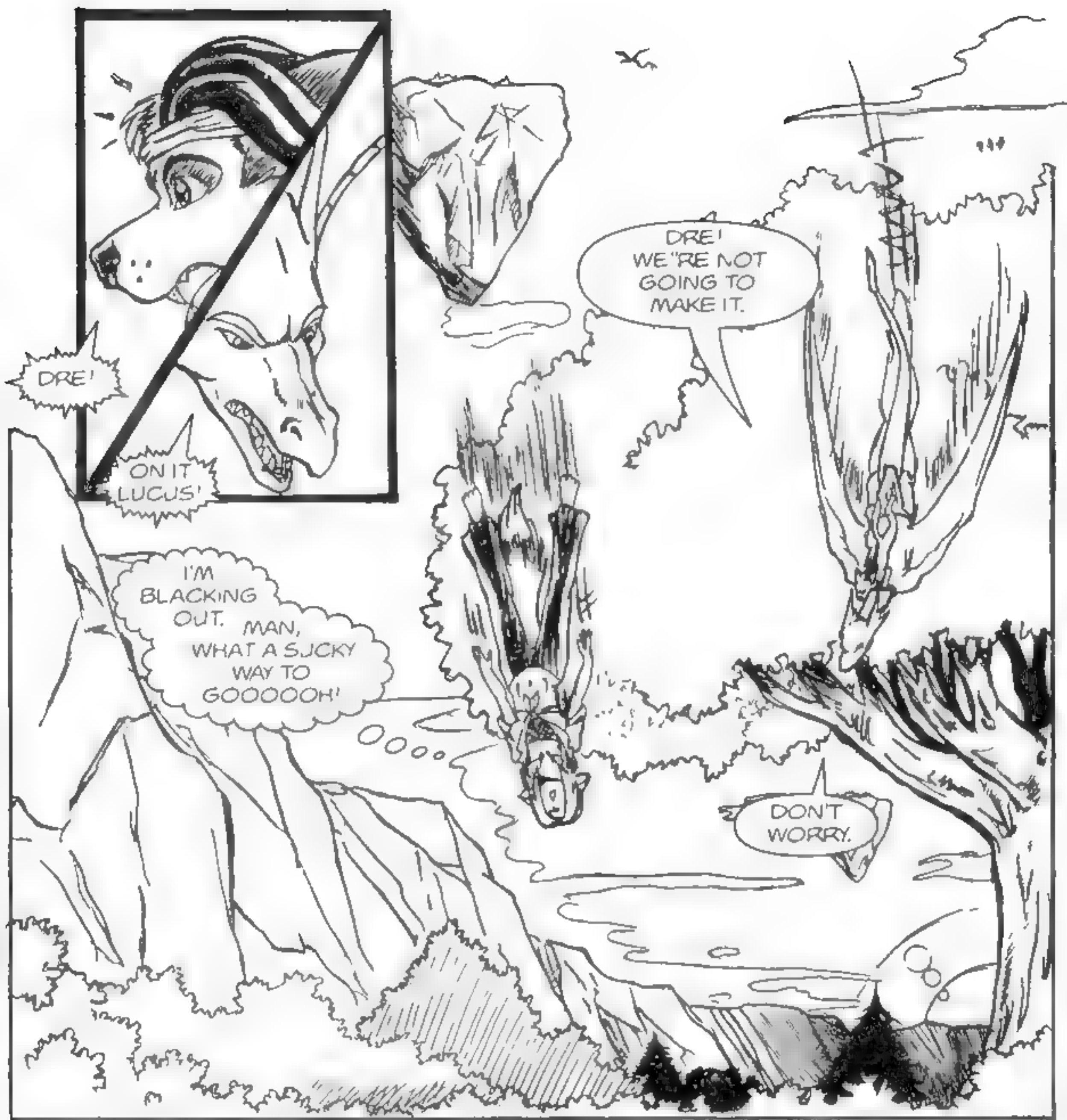
YOU MAY HAVE HER.

CAN'T MOVE TO PULL OUT OF THIS DIVE

UUGGGH!

WHAP!

SOME OF THAT VENOM MUST HAVE MADE IT PAST MY SHIELD.





KATHERINE FOLLOWS
SUIT, BUT IN HER OWN
WAY.



MORE CONFIDENT
IN USING HER POWERS
FOR HERSELF, SHE GOES
FOR SOLID TO INTANGIBLE
IN HER ATTEMPT TO SLOW
HER DOWNWARD DESCENT.



SAFELY LANDING
ON THEIR FEET.

CATRINA FOLLOWS MAX'S
EXAMPLE. A NATURAL
ATHLETE AND STAR
GYMNAST IN SCHOOL,
SHE LEAPS FROM
BRANCH TO BRANCH.



AND WITH GREAT EFFORT
THEY FINALLY FIND
THEMSELVES AT THE
BOTTOM OF THE TREE...



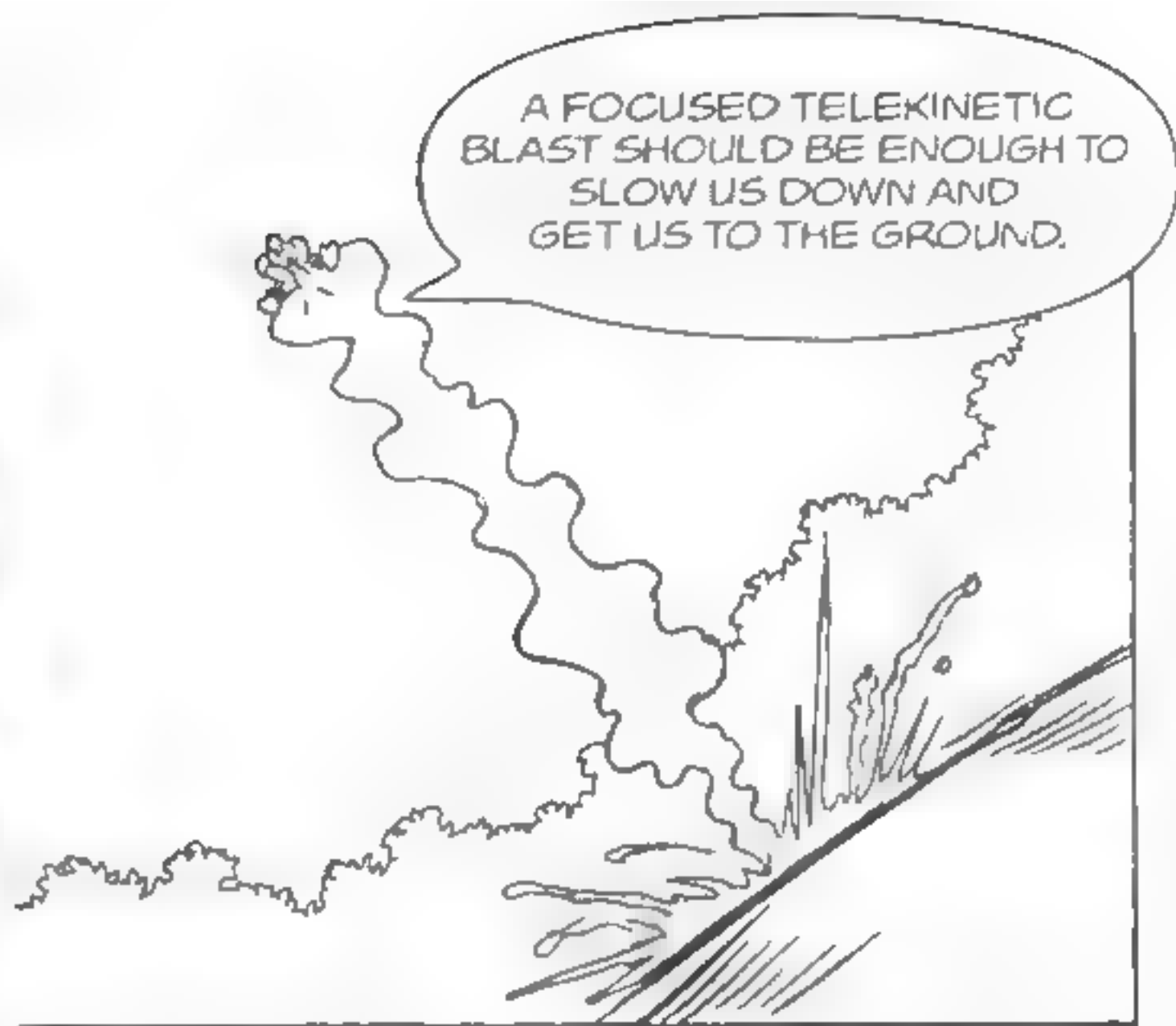
I'LL BE FINE,
JUST GIVE ME
A SECOND.

MAX? ARE
YOU OKAY?



WE
HAVE TO REST AND
THEN LOOK FOR THE
OTHERS.

ROOOWLL...





UH, RED.
I'VE BROUGHT YOU
SOME SUPPER.

I MADE
IT MYSELF.



I HOPE YOU
LIKE IT. I REALLY
WORKED HARD
ON IT.
I HOPE YOU'RE
COMFORTABLE.



IS YOUR SPRANG ANKLE
FEELING BETTER?

I'M GLAD IT DIDN'T BREAK.

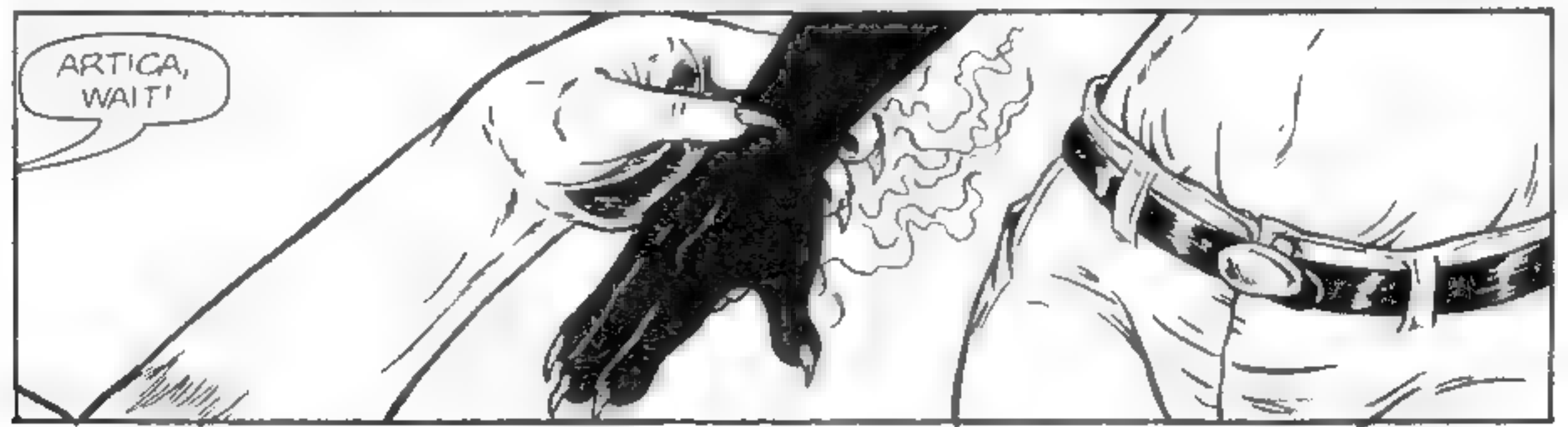
YOU'RE NOT
STILL
UPSET
ARE YOU?



FINE! BE
THAT WAY!

I TOLD YOU IT WAS AN
ACCIDENT AND I WAS SORRY,
BUT YOU KEEP ACTING LIKE A
JERK AND KEEP ACTING-

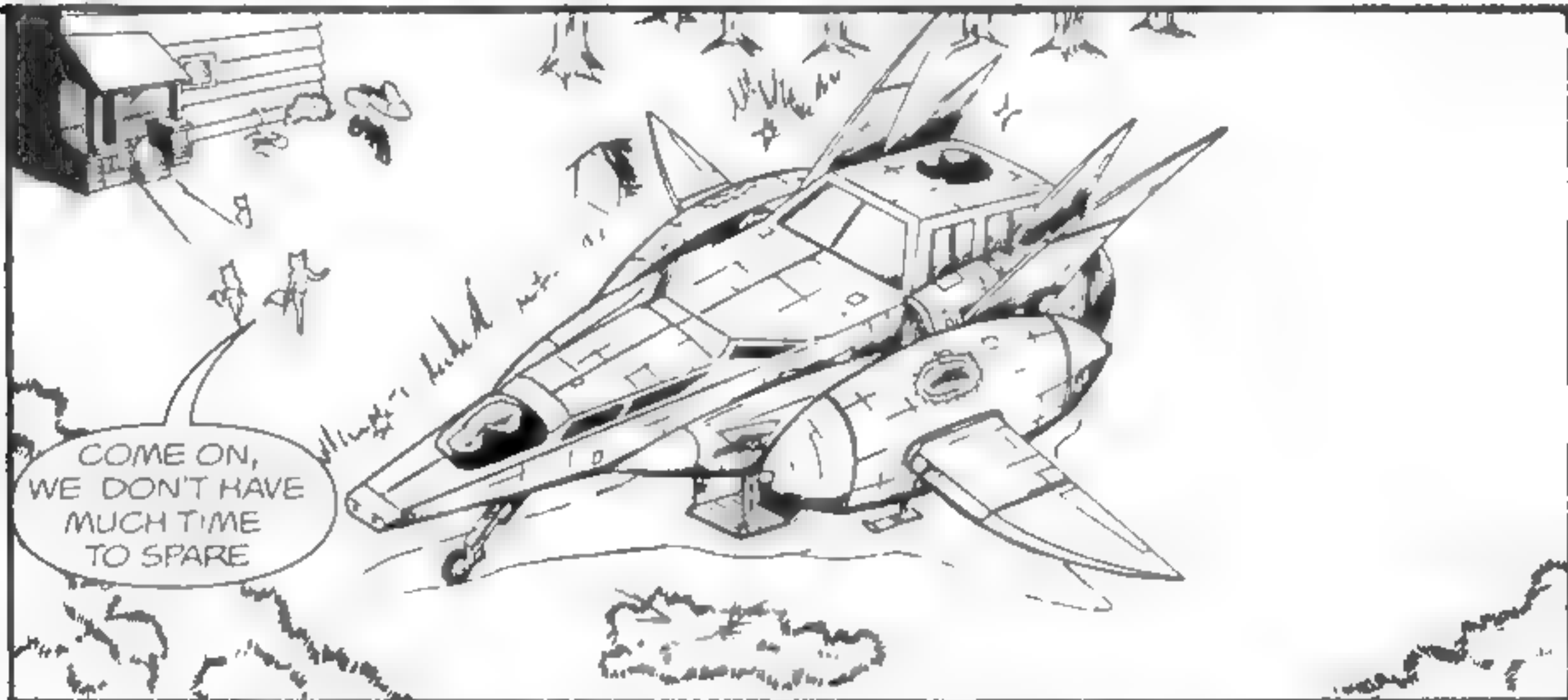
-SO MEAN!
WELL TO KENAL
WITH YOU! IF
YOU WANT TO EAT,
EAT OFF THE
FLOOR! I'M
OUTTA HERE!



ARTICA,
WAIT!







OH HE'S SO HANDSOME.

WILL HE BE OKAY?

WHERE DID HE COME FROM?

OH LOOK, HE'S WAKING UP.

I'M SO EXCITED.

HI HANDSOME!

GAAH!

WHA..WHERE AM I?

WHO?

EASY WARRIOR, DON'T EXERT YOURSELF.

QUIET, OR THE MASTER WILL HEAR!

YOU ARE IN THE HOUSE OF OUR LORD XENIF. HE DOESN'T KNOW YOU ARE HERE.

HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE. I WAS THE LAST OF THE REMALONS. THEY TOLD ME SO.

WE THOUGHT WE WERE THE LAST OF OUR RACES TOO. I'M SHAMUS OF CLAN SHADOWCREEPER.

THIS IS EMARA, METALLIA, YSYS, AND KYRA.

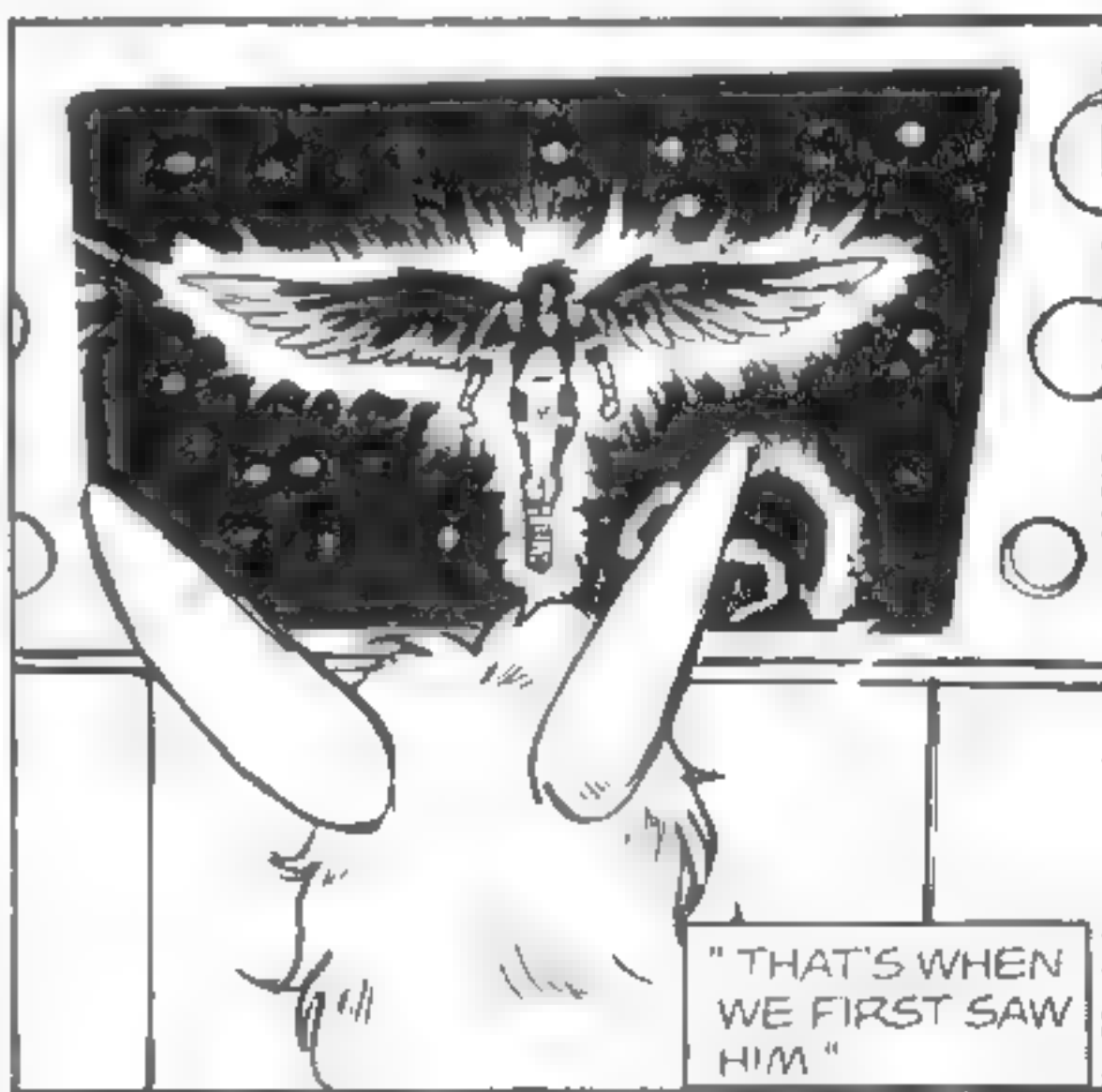


AS YOU KNOW, EDEN WAS ATTACKED SWIFTLY WITHOUT WARNING. WE DIDN'T STAND A CHANCE AT DEFENDING OURSELVES WITH THEIR WEAPONS AND MACHINES. THEY MASSACRED EVERYONE.

WE WERE TAKEN PRISONER ALONG WITH MALES OF EACH RACE, THOUGH WE DIDN'T SEE YOU.



"WE WATCHED ON SCREEN AS THE HUMANS DESTROYED EDEN'S LIVABLE ATMOSPHERE BY BURNING UP THE PLANET'S POLES."



"THAT'S WHEN WE FIRST SAW HIM"

"THE HUMANS FLED UPON
HIM WITHOUT WARNING."

BUT THEY ONLY
MANAGED TO
ANGER HIM."

AND HE SHOWED THEM
THE FULL MIGHT OF HIS FURY."

"WITH ONE SWEEP OF HIS ARM
HE STRUCK THE SHIP, SLICING
THROUGH IT LIKE A HOT KNIFE."

"HE SLASHED THE SHIP IN HALF
LIKE IT WAS THE THINNEST OF
PAPER HIDES."



"THE MALE REMALONS AND
MOST OF THE HUMANS
WERE SUCKED INTO SPACE
TO THEIR DEATHS."



"WHAT POWER
AND GRACE."

"HE WAS TERRIFYING
YET FASCINATING AT
THE SAME TIME."

HIS POWER WAS THE
ONLY THING THAT WAS
KEEPING US ALIVE, BUT
IT WAS LIKE HE DIDN'T
EVEN NOTICE US.



"BUT WHEN HE DID HIS EYES
BURNED LIKE HOT COALS."



"WE WERE NOTHING
TO HIM. I BEGGED
HIM TO SPARE US."

"AND WHEN HIS TALON
BEGAN TO GLOW I
THOUGHT WE HAD
SEEN OUR LAST DAYS."





AH, BUT MY LOVE, THE SUN JUST
LIKE OUR KIND WILL RISE AGAIN
IN FULL BEAUTY AND SHINING
MIGHT.

JUST AS OUR LIVES TOGETHER
AND LOVE WILL SHINE AS BRIGHT
AS THE VERY SUN THE ORIGINAL
PHOENIX WAS BORN FROM.



WITH YOU TO RULE BY MY SIDE
I CAN DO ANYTHING AND NOTHING
WILL EVER TAKE YOU FROM ME AGAIN.
WE WILL BE ONE, NOW AND
FOREVER.

It's been a week since we've made our break from the solarfox authorities, I must have apologized to my life-mate, Erica at least a hundred times for putting her through this. Her forgiveness is part of what keeps me going, the fact that we'll finally be happy together makes up the rest.



How's my sweetheart doing?

Mmm, a little tired but okay.

Good, I'm finishing this tonight, I'm calling Red, he'll help us.

...Okay, hon.

At least I hope he can help...



Hello?

Red, it's Sly, we need a favor cuz!

Sly?! Damn, where you been?
Sure, whatcha need?

We need a pickup, fast.

What?

Yeah, we got trouble.

How much trouble?

Enough, where's everyone else?

GRUMP

Uh oh?

Yeah, we had an...accident downtown, fact is there's only me, Artica and Micro left.

Geez Red! The others aren't...y'know...

Unaccounted for, No proof either way, thanks to Artica.

Huh?what's she got to do with it?

I'll explain later Sly.
Where do you want us
to meet you?

Um, east side of the park, just after sunset.

We're on it.

Artica, Sly and Foxy are in real trouble,
we have to go help them!

What happened?
What's going on?

What can I do to help?

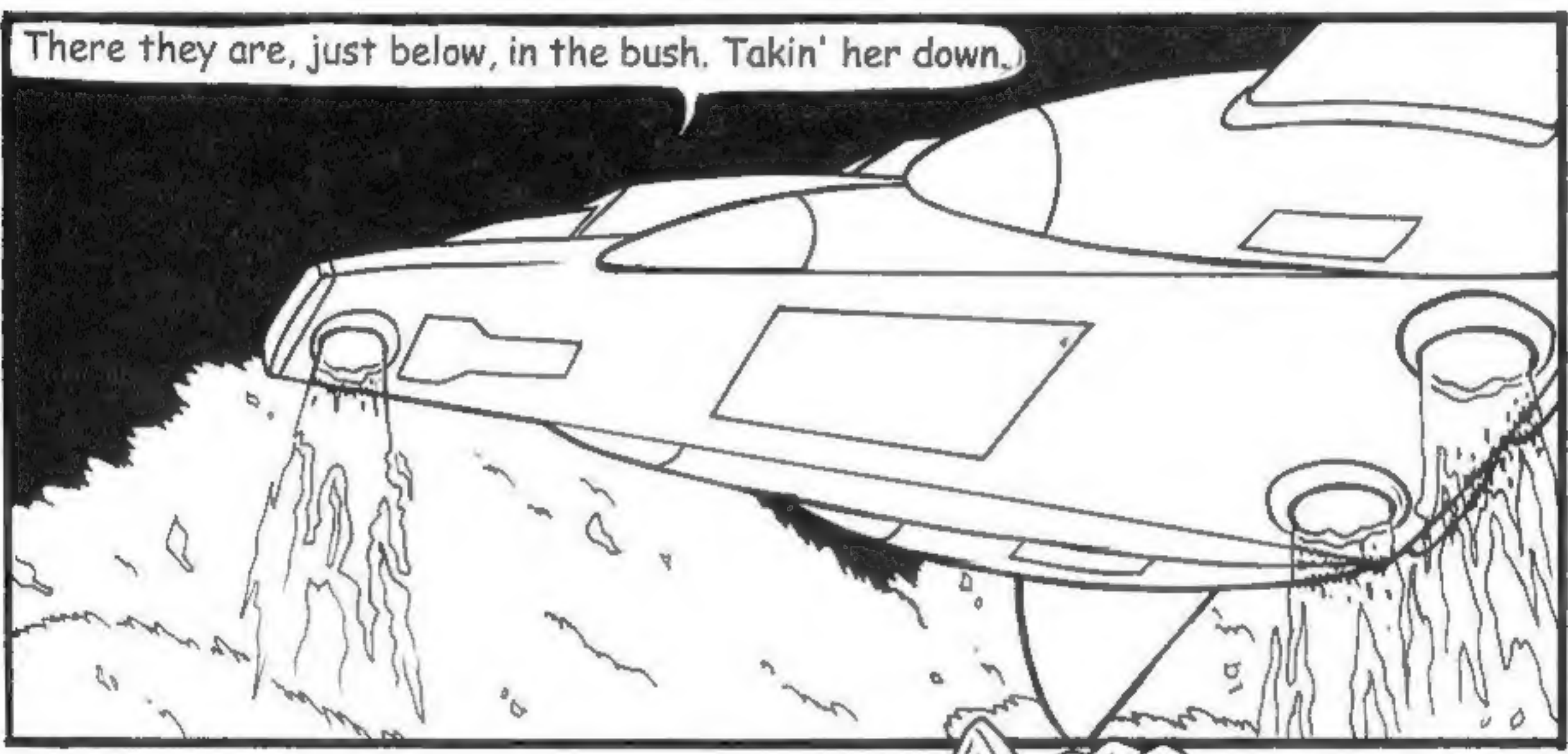


We need you here in case the others come back, Jacob. Artica, suit up.

So, you ready to fly, co-pilot?

Aye-Aye, captain.

Humph..



By the maker, it IS!!
An engagement collar!
EEEEK!!!

When did you get it?

Hey, congrats cuz,
trying to make me
jealous, Marrying
before me?

Well, you know, the
time was right and
all that.

I getcha, now let's
get out of here
before...

STAND DOWN,
FOXES!!!

Ha ha, hi Artica.
It was a week ago.

It's so pretty, and
expensive, I bet.

No more warnings!!
STAND DOWN,
OR ELSE!!!

To be continued...